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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

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Dear Sir:

This communication is in response to the communication dated April 9, 2001, requiring restriction of the invention to one of the following: Group I, claims 1-24, and Group II, claims 25-43.

Applicants respectfully request a three-month extension of time in which to respond to the office action dated April 9, 2001, for which a one-month response period expiring on May 9, 2001, was set. The extended period expires on August 9, 2001.

Applicants hereby elect, with traverse, the claims of Group I (claims 1-24). Claims 25-43 are withdrawn from consideration, and applicants reserve the right to file a divisional application on the claims of this Group. Any necessary extension fees may be charged to Kenyon & Kenyon Deposit Account No. 11-0600. A copy of this request is enclosed for that purpose.

Respectfully submitted

Dated: August <u>7</u>, 2001

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